

House Resolution 2087

By: Representative Ralston of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing May 6, 2010, as a National Day of Prayer; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, since our nation's founding, Americans have turned to prayer for inspiration,
3 strength, and guidance; and

4 WHEREAS, a National Day of Prayer was first established by the Continental Congress in
5 1775, and the United States Congress in 1952 approved a joint resolution setting aside a day
6 each year to recognize the tradition of prayer in our land; and

7 WHEREAS, a National Day of Prayer enables the people of this nation to recall and to teach
8 the way in which our founding fathers sought the wisdom of God when faced with critical
9 decisions; and

10 WHEREAS, there have been 135 national calls to prayer, humility, fasting, and thanksgiving
11 by the President of the United States since 1789; and

12 WHEREAS, there have been 57 presidential proclamations for a National Day of Prayer and
13 this year's National Day of Prayer will be observed on May 6, 2010; and

14 WHEREAS, the National Day of Prayer encourages Americans of every faith to give thanks
15 for God's many blessings and to pray for each other and our nation; and

16 WHEREAS, on this day it is fitting that we pray especially for the brave men and women of
17 the United States Armed Forces who are serving their country around the world.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
19 the members of this body acknowledge the importance of faith and prayer in life and
20 recognize May 6, 2010, as a National Day of Prayer.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
22 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to members of the public and
23 the press.